



## State Representative **CLARENCE E. PHILLIPS** D-29th Representative District



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**Committees:** Appropriations (Subcommittees: Agriculture (Minority Vice Chair); Community Colleges; Family Independence Agency)

**Biography:** Democrat, of Pontiac; lifelong city of Pontiac resident; Pontiac Central High School graduate; Associate of Arts degree Oakland Community College, Auburn Hills; B.A., sociology/psychology; B.A., secondary education; secondary teacher certification; master's candidate, Oakland University; JFK School of Government alumnus, Harvard University; wife, Lorene; sons, Kaino and Damani; served four years in U.S. Air Force; Vietnam-era veteran; served ten years in Air Force Reserves as Human Relations instructor; graduate of Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute; teacher in secondary education for 25 years; director of Alternative Education in Oak Park school district for seven years; elected to Pontiac City Council three times, three years as City Council president; Pontiac Planning Commission member for nine years; City Council liaison to Cable Advisory Board for ten years; member, Welcome Missionary Baptist Church; charter member, Oakland County Veterans Group; member, Pontiac/Oakland Democratic Club; affiliated with Pontiac Schools athletic programs, 25 years; co-founder of Annual Center reunion, 25 years; organized city-wide Law Fair; recipient of Black History Month Community Service Award, Lakeside Achievement Award, Greater Pontiac Community Coalition Award, and achievement award from the Black Professional and Business Women Organization; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000; Minority Whip, 2002.

